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SALE OF REVENUE STAMPS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether revenue stamps are not being sold through post offices in Punjab/Chandigarh;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government to ensure availability of stamps at post offices in Punjab?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) The supply of revenue stamps is the prerogative of the State Government of Punjab and Chandigarh U.T. Administration. Post Offices in Punjab and Chandigarh sell revenue stamps on commission basis. The State Government of Punjab and Chandigarh U.T. Administration did not allow commission on revenue stamps at the rate agreed upon and circulated by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India. Consequently, the sale of revenue stamps by post offices in Punjab/Chandigarh has been discontinued.

(c) Sale of revenue stamps through post offices is subject to the prescribed commission to be allowed by the State Government of Punjab.